

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1 to 9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) A dielectric comprising a carbon doped oxide (CDO) film having a modulus of greater than or equal to, but not less than, about 11.5 GPa or greater, wherein the CDO film has a dielectric constant less than about 3.

11 and 12. (Cancelled)

13. (Previously Presented) The dielectric of claim 10, wherein the CDO film has a density less than about 2 g/cm³.

14. (Previously Presented) The dielectric of claim 10, wherein the CDO film has a density in a range of about 1.3 g/cm³ to about 1.4 g/cm³.

15. (Currently Amended) The dielectric of claim ~~[[11]]~~ 10, wherein the dielectric comprises an interlevel dielectric film.

16. (Previously Presented) The dielectric of claim 10, wherein the CDO film has a modulus in a range of about 20 GPa to about 25 GPa.

17. (Currently Amended) The dielectric of claim 16, wherein the dielectric has a dielectric constant in a range of about ~~[[2]]~~ 2.3 to about 4.

18. (Previously Presented) The dielectric of claim 17, wherein the dielectric comprises an interlevel dielectric film.

19. (Currently Amended) A dielectric comprising a carbon doped oxide (CDO) film having a hardness in a range of about 1.9 GPa to about ~~3.5~~ 3.3 GPa, and not less than about 1.9 GPa.

20. (Currently Amended) The dielectric of claim 19, wherein the CDO film has a dielectric constant in a range of about ~~[[2]]~~ 2.3 to about 4.

21. (Previously Presented) The dielectric of claim 20, wherein the dielectric comprises an interlevel dielectric film.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently Amended) The dielectric of claim 19, wherein the CDO film has a dielectric constant in a range of about ~~[[2]]~~ 2.3 to about 4.

24. (Previously Presented) The dielectric of claim 23, wherein the dielectric comprises an interlevel dielectric film.

25. (Currently Amended) A dielectric comprising a carbon doped oxide (CDO) film having a hardness of greater than or equal to, but not less than, about 1.9 GPa ~~or greater~~ and a modulus of greater than or equal to, but not less than, about 11.5 GPa ~~or greater~~.

26. (Currently Amended) The dielectric of claim 25, wherein the CDO film has a hardness in a range of about 2.8 GPa to about ~~[[3.5]]~~ 3.3 GPa and a modulus in a range of about 20 GPa to about 25 GPa.

27. (Currently Amended) The dielectric of claim 26, wherein the CDO film has a dielectric constant in a range of about ~~[[2]]~~ 2.3 to about 4.

28. (Previously Presented) The dielectric of claim 27, wherein the dielectric comprises an interlevel dielectric film.